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**DATE:** January 3, 2008

**TO:** Transportation and Communications Committee

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**SUBJECT:** Status report on the Draft 2008 RTP

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## BACKGROUND:

On December 6, 2007, this committee approved inclusion of the Orangeline or the proposed High Speed Transport System connecting Central Orange County with North Los Angeles County in the Draft 2008 RTP and releasing it for public review and comment. You further directed staff to ensure that all pertinent and appropriate information supporting this project as well as High Desert Corridor and CETAP Corridor be collected and assessed for final consideration of these projects for inclusion in the Final 2008 RTP expected to be adopted by the Regional Council in April 2008. Accordingly, a letter has been issued from our president to the responsible agencies to provide appropriate information, including pertinent commitment letters, finance plans and other relevant information in support of these projects by mid January of 2008 to SCAG.

The Draft 2008 RTP and associated support documents (technical appendices) as approved by this committee for public review and comments is now available at our website at [www.scag.ca.gov](http://www.scag.ca.gov). Hard copies were mailed out to all of our policy committee members, designated public libraries, stakeholder agencies, member agencies, as well as relevant state and federal agencies. As required by law and in accordance with our adopted Public Participation Plan, three public hearings have been scheduled in January 2008 to allow ample opportunities to the public and the stakeholders to comment on the plan. The public review and comment period will end on February 18, 2008. All comments received during the comment period, including those received at the public hearings will be documented and considered in finalizing the 2008 RTP.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

No impact. Budget for this work is fully reflected in the current OWP.


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